CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW CLASS SPECIFICATION

Position Title: Tree Supervisor/Arborist	Job Family: III
General Classification: Professional	Job Grade: 20

Definition: To plan, organize, direct and supervise the City's urban forestry program and related tree maintenance operations within the Parks and Forestry and Roadway Landscape operations; and to perform a variety of technical tasks relative to assigned area of responsibility.

Distinguishing Characteristics: The Tree Supervisor/Arborist is a single-class position which receives direction from the Parks and Open Space Manager or Parks Section Manager. He/she exercises direct and indirect supervision over assigned maintenance and technical personnel.

Examples of Duties: Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. Recommends and assists in the implementation of goals and objectives; establishes schedules and methods for supervising the City's urban forestry program; implements policies and procedures.
- 2. Plans, prioritizes, assigns, supervises and reviews the work of staff involved in tree maintenance.
- 3. Evaluates operations and activities of assigned responsibilities; recommends improvements and modifications; prepares various reports on operations and activities.
- 4. Participates in budget preparation and administration; prepares cost estimates for budget recommendations; submits justifications for additional resources; monitors and controls expenditures.
- 5. Participates in the selection of staff; provides or coordinates staff training; prepares performance evaluations; works with employees to correct deficiencies; implements disciplinary procedures.
- 6. Answers questions and provides information to the public; investigates complaints and recommends corrective action as necessary to resolve complaints.
- 7. Coordinates contract tree trimming activities; contract tree planting activities; reviews plans and specifications.
- 8. Enforces tree ordinance standards; manages Heritage tree program.

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9. Performs other duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications:

<u>Knowledge of</u>: Principles and practices of arboriculture, equipment, tools and materials used in proper tree care and maintenance; principles of supervision, training and performance evaluation; principles of municipal budget administration; pertinent local, State and Federal laws, ordinances and rules.

Ability to: Organize, implement and direct tree trimming maintenance activities; and pesticide application operation/activities; interpret and explain pertinent City and department policies and procedures; assist in the development and monitoring of an assigned program budget; develop and recommend policies and procedures related to assigned operations; establish and maintain effective working relationships with those contacted in the course of work; communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing; operate applicable computer hardware and software applications; supervise, train and evaluate assigned staff.

Experience and Training Guidelines: Combination of relevant experience, education and training that will satisfy the required minimum qualifications, knowledge and abilities.

Completion of an Associate's degree in arboriculture or a related course of study and three years of increasingly responsible experience in tree maintenance activities, including one year of lead supervision responsibility.

Required Licenses or Certificates: Possession of a valid California Class C driver's license. Possession of, or ability to obtain within 18 months of appointment, a certified arborist certification.

Working Conditions: This position may be required to work extended or irregular hours for critical issues. May need to be available for contact after normal business hours.

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